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Title of the Invention: **RECYCLING OF A WAFER COMPRISING A  
BUFFER LAYER AFTER HAVING SEPARATED A  
THIN LAYER THEREFROM BY MECHANICAL MEANS**

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